REMARKS

Claims 22-29 are canceled, leaving claims 1-21 pending in the application. In response to the Examiner's request for restriction of the claims in the application, applicant hereby elects to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 1-21).

Applicant notes that the March 24, 2006 Office Action is marked as a "final" action in the Office Action Summary, and respectfully submits that such appears to be a typographical error. It would be inappropriate for the Patent Office to issue a "final" action at this stage of the prosecution since no substantive examination of the claims has yet occurred. Applicant therefore requests that the finality of the March 24, 2006 action be withdrawn, and that substantive examination of the claims proceed.

Respectfully submitted,

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